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Letter dated 2 August 2000 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council

I have the honour to refer to resolution 1306 (2000), adopted by the Security Council on 5 July 2000, concerning Sierra Leone. In paragraph 19 of that resolution, the Council requested that, after consultation with the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1132 (1997), I establish a panel of experts composed of up to five members, for an initial period of four months from its effective entry into operation, to collect information on possible violations of the measures imposed by paragraph 2 of resolution 1171 (1998) and the link between trade in diamonds and trade in arms and related *matériel*, and to consider the adequacy of air traffic control systems in the region.

Accordingly, following consultations with the Committee, I wish to inform you that I have appointed the following five experts:

Mr. Martin **Chungong Ayafor** (Cameroon)

Mr. Ian **Smillie** ((Canada), diamond expert)

Mr. Johan **Peleman** ((Belgium), expert on arms and transportation)

Mr. Harjit Singh **Sandhu** ((India), expert from Interpol)

Mr. Atabou **Bodian** ((Senegal), expert from the International Civil Aviation Organization)

I have also selected Mr. Martin Chungong Ayafor (Cameroon) to chair the panel of experts.

(*Signed*) Kofi A. **Annan**

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